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Colorado River Basin Region

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To:

Interested Persons

REVISED PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE 2007 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE BASIN PLAN

(Comments submitted in response to the May 18, 2007 notice will also receive full consideration)

This Revised Public Notice supersedes the previous Notice of Public Hearing (No. 07-07-29), dated May 18, 2007 (hereafter "May 2007 Public Notice"), regarding the 2007 Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the Colorado River Basin Region. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Board), is reviewing its Basin Plan pursuant to Section 13240 of the California Water Code, and Section 303(c)(1) of the Federal Clean Water Act. The Basin Plan designates beneficial uses for ground and surface waters in the Colorado River Basin Region, and establishes water quality objectives and implementation plans to protect those beneficial uses. The Basin Plan is reviewed for adequacy approximately every three years, hence the term "Triennial Review". The objective of the Triennial Review is to reaffirm water quality standards and those portions of the Basin Plan that effectively protect water quality, and to identify potential water quality problems that may result in Basin Plan amendments. A revised notice is necessary to correct omission of Basin Plan priority issues that should also be under review.

Regional Board staff has prepared a revised draft list of water quality issues for the 2007 Triennial Review (see attachment). This revised list also supersedes the previous list that was published with the May 2007 Public Notice. Staff is soliciting public input, an integral part of the Triennial Review process, for recommendations or revisions to the revised draft 2007 Triennial Review list. The comment period for the revised draft Triennial Review list will extend from August 1, 2007 to September 21, 2007.

A Final Draft Triennial Review List and staff report will be prepared at the conclusion of the public comment period, and provided to the Regional Board for consideration for adoption at a public hearing conducted during a regularly scheduled Regional Board meeting in late 2007. The time, date, and location of the hearing will be provided in a "Notice of Public Hearing" as soon as practicable.

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AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

To obtain the most current information on the Triennial Review process, please contact Theresa Kimsey, Regional Board staff, by any of the following methods:

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Triennial Review documents also may be reviewed by appointment at the Regional Board office at the above address. To make an appointment, please contact Hilda Vasquez, Staff Services Manager, at (760) 776-8950.

Senior Water Resources Control Engineer

Attachment: Draft Triennial Review List

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BP 2007 Triennial Review